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MEETINGS 3-1

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MINUTES OF THE GEOGRAPHIC RESEARCH AREA STAFF MEETING, 28 JUNE 1960

25X1A9a

PRESENT:

1. Travel Plans

a. D/GG

25X1A9a

trip has been extended through 22 July.

2. Significant Conversations and Contacts

25X1A9a

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reported on a meeting held between D/GG (), 25X1A9a
D/GC, and DD/P () discussed a
type of report on an area in which DPD is particularly interested. 25X1A8a

25X1A9a questions whether this report is really needed. It was
suggested that a case might be made of this and brought up before the
Agency Publications Board for decision. reported that 25X1A9a

25X1A9a has also requested the reproduction of 9 maps originally
25X1A9a prepared for () stated that permission will have
to be obtained from FE before we can fill this request. 25X1A9a
added that, upon his return from the IGU Meetings, he plans to arrange
for himself and Chiefs, D/GG and D/GC to be thoroughly briefed on DPD
missions and functions.

3. Problems

a. D/GG Clerical Problem

25X1A9a reported that St/A is looking into possibilities
for solving this problem.

4. Sub-Marginal Personnel

Division Chiefs were reminded that supervisors should be very
careful in their evaluation of personnel during "probationary" period.
If any personnel are marginal in performance, then is the time to make
this known.

5. Geographers' Exchange

The US-USSR Exchange of Geographers has been called off on both
sides by the Russians.

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6. IGU Matters

a. Briefing

25X1A9a [REDACTED] reported that he held a briefing of IGU participants this morning.

b. Information Picked up at IGU

Anything picked up at IGU by Agency personnel will be brought in through the OCR mechanism. In addition, debriefing sessions may be held upon our return.

c. Income Tax Deductions

Income tax deductions will be allowed for those personnel attending the IGU Meetings on their own as this money is being spent on professional improvement.

7. Storage for Special Maps

25X1A9a [REDACTED] asked what had been done toward establishing a room for the storage of special maps. [REDACTED] is going to look into the problem. 25X1A9a

8. Rock Project

25X1A1a Continuation of the Rock Project has been approved up to an expendi-
25X1A1a ture of [REDACTED] St/A is taking care of transferring [REDACTED] to 0025X1A1a
25X1A6a [REDACTED] (with [REDACTED] held in reserve). [REDACTED] is to work with St/A 25X1A9a
in formulating instructions for the remainder of this project.

9. Africa External Research Contract

25X1A9a [REDACTED] asked that D/GG do some advance planning for an External Research Contract on Africa so that it can be included in the FY 62 budget.

10. Acting AD/RR, 11 July to 15 August

25X1A9a [REDACTED] Ch/E, will be Acting AD/RR during Dr. Guthe's absence from 11 July to 15 August.

11. Monthly Report Items

It was suggested that the Divisions give a little more background in Monthly Report items.